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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy for Technology, OSA

SUBJECT: Status of ISINGLASS Proposal

1. I had an opportunity, the afternoon of 9 May, to discuss ISINGLASS with Dr. Wheelon and [redacted] in the former's office.

2. I reminded these gentlemen that our stripped-down ISINGLASS proposal had been in Dr. Flax's hands since late March, and that we had no indication of any kind from DNRO that it had been acted upon one way or another. I did add that it was our understanding, verified by General Ledford, that General Stewart had favorably endorsed the paper to Dr. Flax not long after it reached the Pentagon.

3. Dr. Wheelon responded that he thought it was high time that a positive approach was taken to ISINGLASS funding before McDonnell Aircraft gave up on us completely, which he felt they would have every justification for doing in the absence of any concrete interest on our part. I suggested to [redacted] that an attempt be made rather promptly to schedule this matter for discussion before the EXCOM. While I am not certain of any finite date for inclusion of ISINGLASS on an EXCOM agenda, I do think that it will come fairly soon.

4. In closing, I noted to Dr. Wheelon that at this point in the final quarter of the fiscal year there was apt to be some loose money, either in the Agency or in the DOD itself, which could be applied to the ISINGLASS effort.

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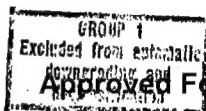


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